

## REMARKS

Regarding numbered paragraph 5 of the Advisory Action, Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner. Wallner teaches that he has to transfer the charges out of the tape. The invention only works with humidity. Therefore Wallner has to activate the ionogenic polymer with humidity. Further Wallner teaches at column 2, line 34 -36, that "Atmospheric moisture is accessible through the exposed edges of the wound tape". In combination with the humidity that definitely means that water is used as charge transport agent and therefore the transfer of conductive charges out of the tape is definitely taking place.

Regarding numbered paragraph 6, and taking Applicants' above comments regarding paragraph 5 into account, it is not prima facie obvious that combining both would lead to the same result, because both are teaching that the charges have to be transported out of the tape.

Regarding numbered paragraphs 7/8, Applicants are not speculating. According to the drawing the electrical conductive particles are at least as thick as the adhesive layer. In the case of Akher the adhesive layer is between 20 and 75  $\mu\text{m}$ . Therefore the particles have at least the same size and are therefore visual.

Accordingly, Applicants' novel antistatic pressure sensitive adhesive tape cannot fairly be seen as obvious over the Wallner/Akhter/ combination of references, whether

taken alone or in combination with any of the other references cited.

It is therefore believed that claims 16 - 26 are now in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of said claims by the Examiner is respectfully requested and the allowance thereof is courteously solicited.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If any extension of time for this response is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefor. Please charge the required petition fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEE

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Respectfully submitted,  
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